

RE: CBSA contact

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Here is Brad Wozny's contact info:

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Rae-Ann...

I just spoke with John Ossowski, President, CBSA. (John.Ossowski@cbsa-asfc.gc.ca)

The purpose of the call was to ensure that he was aware of the volatility of the situation at Coutts, the possibility that Coutts port of entry may be out of commission for an extended period of time and to discuss CBSA staffing at alternate ports of entry.

John had a good sense of what was happening at Coutts but seemed to think that the situation would be resolved shortly as the RCMP was beginning enforcement. I told him that, based on our briefing with the RCMP, the port of entry may be out of commission for several days as a result of lack of tow trucks, additional protestors trying to access the site etc.

We discussed the need to have alternate ports of entry for commercial and passenger vehicles. He told me that Caraway and Del Bonita are now operating on extended hours, 8:00 AM to 10:00 PM (these crossings usually closed at 6:00 pm). They are open 7 days per week.

We discussed the possibility of keeping these ports open on a 24 hr basis. He said that this is not likely at this time, due to staff shortages. I told him that the Minister or DM at TRANS may call to make this request.

He is going to provide contact info for the Regional DG, which will be helpful to address any emerging operational matters. I will pass that info along when I get it. I also let him know that someone from TRANS may reach out directly to him if required.

Let me know if you have any questions.

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Frank/Dennis/Coleen,

Minister just called me as she had a follow-up call with premier and she advises that he has asked her to work directly with CBSA to get another border crossing open 24/7.

Does anyone have a contact that we can work with directly on this....

Rae-Ann

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